

For Sale.

BAEL, the new DIET, so recommended by the Faculty arising from derangement of the system. Can be procured from GEO. GLASSE, The Victoria Dispensary, December 10, 1867.

FOR SALE, ONE in quarts and pints, Montebello, Clifton, Marceaux & Co. HESSE & Co. February 17, 1868.

STEAM COALS, More, or deliverable on Board, Londonderry West Hartley, or West Hartley, Straker,

Blangware Marthyr, ROB. S. WALKER & Co. March 16, 1868.

FOR SALE, ONE of the CHAMPAGNE, Co. HOCK & MOSELLE, SHERRY and PORT, BLENDED, BLENDED, ALE, draught and bottle, GUINNESS STOUT, SONS PORTER, ROB. S. WALKER & Co. November 20, 1867.

FOR SALE, ONE known as ALMACK PLANT, Frontage of Eighty-three feet, and of a large street, and of Twenty-nine feet on ALBER, comprising a superior area of 6,000 square feet. Annual Ground rent, particulars, apply to, MR. LIVINGSTON & Co. February 24, 1868.

FOR SALE, ONE, Adolphe Collins and Co. & Co. Association, Vint-

val Chateau Margaux, Champagne, and Martell's in

PORTER in bottle, (Platts) in kegs, (Platts) in kegs,

of Iron COLUMNS, Yellow 6 oz. with NAILS.

UGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. December 11, 1867.

ND SHEATHING FELT, LY on hand for Sale by the

ROZARIO & Co. January 29, 1868.

FOR SALE, ONE of very superior SHERRY, aged ex "Channel Queen," for Antillanid SHERRY, 3 doz. cases, for Oloroso SHERRY in 3

cases, Superior SHERRY in 2 cases, (cask) Superior SHERRY (cask).

BE, LIVINGSTON & Co. January 27, 1868.

AS NOVELTIES, CRAWFORD & Co. and Wedding CAKES, range, Vanilla, Ratafia, etc., ITS, Hummel's ROSE WATER

cases of BONBONS, CAVIARE, 3 and Bloom MUSCATELS, BONS, Carlsbad WAFERS, ACOTIS, Assorted Dessert

Y, Truffled CHICKENS, LANS, Potted Severn SAL-

Reindeer's TONGUES in

ORNAMENTS, ES, GRAPHO-COPES, NDARS, Novel DICE, and

PEKIMETERS, Astro-SCOPE, Courier BAGS, ES, Merschaum PIPES, December 9, 1867.

AG HOTEL STORES, QUEEN'S ROAD, at Landed, THE T.F. ED, DCS, SALT, 2 CERRANS, Berry VINEGAR, STARD, BLYA KING, COM, 2 in pint, CHEESE, HAMS,

EDMUND HOLMES, January 9, 1868.

LANDED, "CHINA," CKEREL in kits, LMON, by the pound,

in 1 dozen cases, 10 lb. tin,

NG in bottles, THOS. HUNT & Co. January 17, 1868.

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on Queen's Road West

WILLIAM FURNITURE

STOCK-IN-TRADE, The

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MAIL.

PUBLISHED EVERY EVENING, AND WITH WHICH IS INCORPORATED THE "HONGKONG EVENING MAIL AND SHIPPING LIST."

VOL. XXIV. No. 1478. 號八廿月二年八十六百八千一英 HONGKONG, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH, 1868.

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PRICE, \$24 PER ANNUM.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON: F. ALGAR, 11, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GORDON, 121, Holborn Hill, E.C.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND: GORDON & GORDON, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally: WHITE & BAUER, San Francisco.

CHINA: SEAGRAM, DROWN & Co., Amoy, Canton & Foochow. THOMPSON & Co., Shanghai, H. Poon & Co., Manila. C. K. KATH & Co.

OFFICIAL NOTIFICATIONS. It is hereby notified that, until further order, the China Mail and Overland China Mail will be the official medium of all communications proceeding from Her Britannic Majesty's Consulate at Canton.

British Consulate, Canton, April 16, 1868. D. B. ROBERTSON, Consul.

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British Consulate, Amoy, April 29, 1868. B. SWINHOE, Consul.

Arrivals. Feb. 28, Marika, from Whampoa.

Feb. 28, Douglas, Brit. steamer, 615, Pittman, Foochow, Amoy and Swatow, Feb. 24, 26 and 27, Sugar and Sundries. D. LAPELLE & Co.

Passenger. Per Douglas, Messrs Cori and E. B. Baker.

Shipping Reports. The British steamer Douglas which arrived this morning from East Coast reports:

experienced variable winds and foggy weather as far as Swatow, since then met with fresh Northerly breeze and cloudy weather until her arrival here at 7.45.

The ship Royal Bazaar was leaving in the afternoon when the Douglas left, and her captain delivered a report to the effect that the brig Harriet was outside Swatow at anchor.

On the night of the 24th, passed the steamer Fawcetta off White Dogs, bound up.

For further Arrivals, New Advertisements, &c., &c., see 2nd page.

Amusements. CLUB LUSITANO THEATRE.

Monday Evening, 27th MARCH, 1868.

IMITABLE & UNIQUE MAGICAL REPRESENTATION BY PROFESSOR VANEK,

GRAND WIZARD OF THE NORTH, Artist to His Majesty the Sultan of Turkey.

PROGRAMME. Part I. Marvellous Experiments of Professor VaneK's Witchcraft and Sleight-of-hand.

Part II. The Astonishing and Wonder Striking Decapitation Scene, EXHIBITED BY PROFESSOR VANEK ONLY.

The Magic Room will be brilliantly illuminated, and the head of the decapitated will be exposed in such a manner to the public, so as to allow every one a chance of inspecting it. After an interval of seven minutes the head will be replaced on the body and life restored.

Part III. Brilliant Optical Cyclorama, By means of a Hydro-Oxygen Gas Apparatus, the voyage through America, France, Italy, Holland, Scotland, Greece, Rome, &c., &c.

Grand Comic and Laughable Museum.

To conclude with the much amusing CHANGES OF COLOURS.

Prices of Admission. Boxes to hold six Persons, \$12.

Tickets to be had at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. and at the door of the Theatre on the evening of the Performance.

Doors open at 8. Performance to commence at 9 P.M.

JOHN WESSELY, Manager.

Hongkong, February 28, 1868.

Amusements. The Band of the 73rd Regiment.

By kind permission of Lieut. Col. G. J. Burke, the Band of the above Regt. will perform

This and To-morrow Evening, 28th and 29th Feb.

at the GARRISON THEATRE, NORTH BARRACKS, The Original Burlesque Extravaganza, Entitled

"THE HORN OF A DILEMMA," To conclude with the Laughable Farce "MY PREVIOUS BETSY."

Prices of Admission. Reserved Seats, \$1.00.

Front Seats, 50c.

Back Seats, 20c.

Doors open at 8.30. Commence at 9.

Vivat Regina. Corp. E. WALSH, Manager.

Hongkong, February 26, 1868.

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Hongkong, February 26, 1868.

New Advertisements. TO BE DISPOSED OF.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. beg to invite inspection of Indian Embroidered Table CLOTHS, Chair COVERS, SMOKING CAPS, SLIPPERS, &c., &c., in Gold, Silver and Silk Thread, and showing the most exquisite and tasteful workmanship.

Hongkong, February 28, 1868.

CHAMPAGNE. ROEDERER, CARTE NOIRE.

The only Champagne awarded the Medal of the First Class at the Paris Exhibition, 1867.

Apply to SANDER & Co. Hongkong, February 27, 1868.

NOTICE. THE Undersigned having PURCHASED the interest of the "WANHOI STEAM BARROW," begs to notify the Public of Hongkong and Ship Masters that he is prepared to furnish Daily Supplies of Soft BREAD in various forms, to any part of the Colony.

Also Ship BREAD of best quality and at low rates, constantly on hand or baked in quantities at short notice.

Also Water, Butter, Soda and Sugar BISCUITS by the Barrel, Tin or Pound.

Also Corn and Rye MEAL, HOMINY, CORN STARCH, BICARB. SODA, Saleratus and Cream TARTAR.

FLOUR of best Brands constantly on hand supplied by the Barrel, Bag, Tin or Sack.

CAKE of all kinds baked to order.

The above is under the superintendence of Mr. JONATHAN PARSONS, and all orders forwarded to him, at the Bakery, or left at Messrs THOS. HUNT & Co.'s will receive prompt attention.

L. P. WARD. Hongkong, February 17, 1868.

BOMBAY INSURANCE COMPANY AND FORBES & CO.'S CONSTITUENTS INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Companies are prepared to accept Risks on the usual terms.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong, February 26, 1868.

THE UNIVERSAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF CALCUTTA.

ESTABLISHED 1834. Subscribed Capital, £500,000. Accumulated Funds exceed £200,000.

THE Undersigned are empowered to accept Life Assurances in the above Society. Full particulars given on application.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co. Hongkong, February 21, 1868.

FOR SALE. DOWNTON'S PUMPS as under

One 7 inch, 3 lift patent PUMP, with Cast Iron flywheel and handles, and with 6 hole 7 inch suction plate, with goose neck pipes and fittings complete.

One 5 1/2 inch Do. do. do. Two 6 inch Gun Metal Fire ENGINES, with Hoses complete.

BOWRA & Co. Hongkong, January 21, 1868.

PER MAIL STEAMER. Suitable for Christmas Presents. A SLENDID ASSORTMENT of MEERSCHAUM PIPES, with and without Cherrywood Stems. ALBUMS. Real Havana CIGARS, etc., etc.

BIEFELD and ZACHARIAE. Hongkong, December 20, 1867.

VERY FINE CALIFORNIA HONEY, just received, and for sale by GEO. GLASSE.

THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY. Hongkong, February 24, 1868.

Amusements. The Band of the 73rd Regiment.

By kind permission of Lieut. Col. G. J. Burke, the Band of the above Regt. will perform

New Advertisements.

THE New Patent Silicated Carbon FILTER, small enough to be carried in the Pocket. No traveller in the East should be without one.

To be had at THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY. Hongkong, February 19, 1868.

NOTICE. RENTS and Accounts COLLECTED with punctuality and despatch.

Distraint WARRANTS for Rent IS SURE and EXECUTED.

Security, if required. THOS. W. BARRINGTON, 53, Wyndham Street. Hongkong, February 17, 1868.

C. L. VOLKMAN, Private Boarding Establishment.

29, HOLLYWOOD ROAD, HONGKONG. Hongkong, January 7, 1868.

MRS. VINTON'S PRIVATE FAMILY BOARDING ESTABLISHMENT, Hollywood Road, next door to the Hotel de Europe.

Hongkong, May 1, 1867.

Auction. PUBLIC AUCTION. LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

the 29th February, 1868, at Noon, at the Godowns of Messrs SHUM & Co., (For account of the concerned,) Ex "PIERCE CROSS,"

A B (in heart) 1260 1 bale, 20 pieces S 167, 1 bale, 50 pieces 7 lbs. GREY SHIRTINGS.

136/137, 2 bales, each 50 pieces 7 lbs. T-CLOTH.

S (in triangle), 494 2 bales 22/24 COT L 503 1 TON YARN.

(All more or less damaged by sea water.) TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

Hongkong, February 28, 1868.

MASTS, SAILS, RIGGING, &c. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions from Captain

BUCHANAN of the Steamer "SUNRISE," to sell by Public Auction on the Slip, East Point, on

the 2nd March, 1868, at Noon.—The following, viz:

1 MAINMAST. 1 TOPMAST. 1 Set Main Wire RIGGING and STAYS complete.

SAILS, viz: Mainmast, Gaff Topsail, Topmast Staysail, Gaff and Boom with Blocks and Tackles complete.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All lots with all faults and errors of description at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, February 27, 1868.

RACE HORSES. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions from the Owner of the undermentioned well-known HORSES, to dispose of them by Public Auction, at an early date, if not previously privately disposed of, viz:

The Chestnut Sydney Gelding Marcus. The Brown Sydney Gelding. The Bay Sydney Horse. The Bay Sydney Horse. The Chestnut Sydney Horse. With all their SADDLERY and Stable EQUIPMENT.

Hongkong, February 24, 1868.

BOWRA & Co. will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on

Monday, 2nd March, 1868, at 12 o'clock, Noon, by order and at the Godowns of Messrs JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., East Point, (For the benefit of the concerned,) 6 bales COTTON YARN.

More or less damaged by sea water.

Also, 98 casks Allsopp's ALE in bottle. 2 Iron LIFE BOATS. 1 11 inch Manila HAWSER, Etc., Etc., Etc.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

Hongkong, February 26, 1868.

BOWRA & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY, 3rd March, 1868, at 11 A.M., on the Premises known as CAFFE CRAMER, Corner of Fostin & and Stanley Street,—

The whole of the Household FURNITURE, WINES, &c., &c., including a BILLIARD TABLE, PIANOFORTE, &c.

(Under distraint for Rent.) TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

Hongkong, February 26, 1868.

Auction.

NOTICE. TO be sold by PUBLIC AUCTION in Shanghai at the end of February the two well known BARKENTINES "TALEE" and "KEWKEE" (A 1.14 years) now 3 years old, with a full and complete Inventory, carrying about 500 Tons of Cargo each on 10 feet draft.

136-5/10 feet in length. 24-3/10 " " in breadth. 12-24/10 " " in depth of hold. 342-30/100 Tonnage Register. 569-15/90 Tons builder's measurement. Framework, Iron and Wood composite built.

29th

Bank. CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON & CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER. CAPITAL PAID-UP £750,000.

With power to increase to £1,500,000. Reserve Fund, £145,902.14.8.

Head-Office—No. 65, Old Broad Street, London, E.C.

COURT OF DIRECTORS. GEORGE GARDEN NICOL, Esq., Chairman. DONALD LARKNAK, Esq. GEORGE MAY, Esq. SIR FREDERICK J. HALLIDAY. JAMES A. ROBERTSON, Esq. EDWARD JAMES GILMAN, Esq. DAVID THAIL ROBERTSON, Esq.—Chief Manager.

LONDON BANKERS. Bank of England, London Joint Stock Bank.

SOLICITORS. Messrs CLARK, SOES & RAWLINS, Coleman Street.

AUDITORS. Messrs COLMAN, TAYLOR, YOUNG & Co.—Public Accountants. J. SMITH, Esq., of Messrs W. Nicol & Co., Bombay.

JAMES JOSEPH MACKENZIE, Esq., late of Messrs Dent & Co., China.

Branches and Agencies. Bombay, Calcutta, Madras, Colombo, Ceylon, Rangoon, Shanghai, Yokohama, Hankow, Foochow, Mauritius, Saigon, Batavia.

Edinburgh Deposit Agency, 128, George Street. CHARLES PEARSON, Esq., C.A.—Agent.

HONGKONG BRANCH. Current deposits.—Accounts are kept on which no interest is allowed and no charge made for collecting Bills, Cheques, &c.

Fixed deposits.—Are received, viz: Repayable at 12 months, 5% per annum. 18 months, 5 1/2% per annum. 2 years, 6% per annum.

The Bank discounts Local Bills, and Notes payable in Hongkong having at least two approved names connected in general partnership, and makes advances on approved Banking Securities.

Exchange. The Bank issues drafts on its London Office, and on the London Joint Stock Bank at four months' sight, also on its Branches above; and Agents in Scotland, Ireland, Melbourne, Sydney, and towns in Australia, New Zealand, &c., and grants Greater Notes for the use of travellers negotiable in all towns of importance throughout the world.

Bills payable in Europe or in any of the above mentioned places are purchased or remitted for collection.

Further information as to the rules of business may be obtained at the office, or on application by letter to the manager.

Office hours.—10 to 3, Saturdays 10 to 1. WILLIAM JACKSON, Manager.

2, Queen's Road, February 27, 1867.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, FIVE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS.

COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman.—GEORGE JOHN HELLAND, Esq. Deputy Chairman.—GEO. F. HEARD, Esq. W. H. FOSTER, JR., Esq. WILLIAM LEMMON, Esq. SOLOMON D. SASSOON, Esq. J. H. MENCK, Esq. JAMES B. TAYLOR, Esq.

Managers. Hongkong.—VICTOR KRESSER, Esq. Chief Manager. Shanghai.—DAVID MACLEAN, Esq. LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG. INTEREST ALLOWED. On Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:— For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum. " 6 " 4 per cent. " " 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED. Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

VICTOR KRESSER, Chief Manager. Offices of the Corporation, Watley House, No. 1, Queen's Road, Hongkong, January 24, 1868.

Steam for.

Singapore, Point de Galle, Aden, Suez, Malta, Marseilles, and Southampton.

Bombay, Madras, and Calcutta. THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steam-ship "EMEU" Captain G. N. HECTOR, with

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Shipping.

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.
The A. French Clipper-boat
"ARON CLER,"
Capt. LAPARTY, of 5,000
tons carrying capacity, (daily
expected at Macao from Saigon.)
Apply to
REYNVAAN BROTHERS & Co.,
Agents for Arc en Ciel.
Hongkong, February 18, 1868.

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.
(Australia Preferred.)
The A. French Clipper-boat
"OLIVA SAYER,"
Capt. SAYER, of 5,000
tons carrying capacity, (daily
expected at Macao from Saigon.)
Apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.,
Agents for Arc en Ciel.
Hongkong, February 17, 1868.

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.
The A. French Clipper-boat
"NEVILLE,"
Capt. NEVILLE, of 5,000
tons carrying capacity, (daily
expected at Macao from Saigon.)
Apply to
TURNER & Co.,
Agents for Arc en Ciel.
Hongkong, February 17, 1868.

Notices to Consignees.

"BELTED WILL," FROM LONDON.
CONSIGNEES of cargo by the above-
named vessel are requested to send in their
Bills of Lading to the Underwriter for
counter-signature, and to take immediate
delivery of their goods.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignees'
risk and expense.
DOUGLAS LARRAK & Co.,
Hongkong, February 24, 1868.

"CARMARTHENSIA," FROM LONDON.
CONSIGNEES of cargo by the above-
named vessel are requested to send in their
Bills of Lading to the Underwriter for
counter-signature, and to take immediate
delivery of their goods.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignees'
risk and expense.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, February 10, 1868.

"VIRGEN DEL CARMEN," FROM MANILA.
CONSIGNEES of cargo by the above-
named vessel are requested to send in their
Bills of Lading to the Underwriter for
counter-signature, and to take immediate
delivery of their goods.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignees'
risk and expense.
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
Hongkong, December 16, 1867.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.
We have authorized Mr. CLARA BUDD
to sign our firm from this date.
DREYER & Co.,
Hongkong, January 1, 1868.

NOTICE.
I have established myself in business as
Merchant and Commission agent, under
the style or firm of KEARKE MAHOMED &
Co.
KHAKEN MAHOMED KUTUBA,
Hongkong, February 1, 1868.

NOTICE.
THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr.
T. H. KRAMER in our firm ceased on the
31st December, 1867.
SANDER & Co.,
Hongkong, February 1, 1868.

NOTICE.
MESSRS. H. P. M. WACHTEL and H.
ALPHEE URMELMAN ceased to be Part-
ners in our firm since the 31st December
ultimo.
GAYMANS & Co.,
Nagasaki, January 1, 1868.

NOTICE.
DURING the absence of Mr. J. H. LADD
from the Colony, Mr. T. CHUNG
LADD is authorized to sign our firm per
procuration.
LADD & Co.,
Hongkong, January 16, 1868.

NOTICE.
DURING the absence of Mr. SHERIFF
KUBIN from the Colony, Mr. KEARKE
MAHOMED KUTUBA is authorized to sign
our firm per procuration.
SHERIFF & Co.,
Hongkong, February 1, 1868.

NOTICE.
MR. J. MURRAY FORBES is author-
ized to sign our name at Canton from
this date.
RUSSELL & Co.,
China, February 15, 1868.

NOTICE.
THE Interest and Responsibility of
SUTSUYO KUBIN and HORATSE
DORABEE BHASOOLA in our firm ceased
on 31st December, 1867.
SHERIFF & Co.,
Hongkong, February 1, 1868.

NOTICE.
MY Business, as Ship and Insurance
Broker, Commission agent, &c. hitherto
carried on by myself, will henceforward be
conducted under the style or firm of J. S.
HOOK, Son & Co.
J. S. HOOK,
Hongkong, September 23, 1867.

NOTICE.
MR. THOMAS FRYE has this day been
admitted a Partner in our firm.
BIRLEY & Co.,
Hongkong, January 2, 1868.

NOTICE.
THE Underwriter having disposed of their
Business as Shipwrights, &c. to Messrs
J. McDONALD & Co., and being about to
leave the Colony, request all parties having
any CLAIMS against them to send them in
for payment on or before the 10th instant,
and all parties INDEBTED to the firm
are requested to make immediate payment.
ROSS THOMPSON & Co.,
Spring Gardens, February 1, 1868.

NOTICE.
REFERRING to the above, we beg to
inform the Public that we have taken
over the Business of Messrs ROSS THOMPSON
& Co., and trust by strict attention to Bu-
siness to merit the patronage of the Com-
munity.
J. McDONALD & Co.,
Hongkong, February 1, 1868.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.
AS my Engagement ceases in May next,
all outstanding Accounts for the past
Two Years must be sent in immediately for
payment.
MARY HASTLOW HANDLE,
Superintendent,
Diocesan School,
Hongkong, January 21, 1868.

NOTICE.
MR. JOHN HOW CHEVERTON is au-
thorized to sign our firm per pro-
curation.
ALFRED WILKINSON & Co.,
Hongkong, February 21, 1868.

NOTICE.
THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr.
A. D. MITCHELL in our firm ceased on the
31st day of December, 1867.
A. FERGUSON & Co.,
Hongkong, January 3, 1868.

NOTICE.
FROM and after this date Mr. GEORGE F.
BOWMAN will act as AGENT of the
Pacific Mail Steam-ship Company at this
Port.
S. L. PHELPS,
Agent,
Hongkong, August 15, 1867.

NOTICE.
THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. A.
FERGUSON in our firm ceased on the
1st day of November, 1866.
A. FERGUSON & Co.,
Hongkong, January 3, 1868.

NOTICE.
THE Business will be henceforward carried
on under the same Name by the Un-
derigned.
A. D. MITCHELL,
J. D. MEYERS, and
HENRY FEHR,
Hongkong, December 10, 1867.

Houses and Lands.

TO LET.
THE BUSINESS PREMISES, formerly
occupied by Messrs ARNOLD, KAR-
BERG & Co., consisting of Dwelling House,
Office, and spacious Godown.
Possession to be had on the 1st March.
Apply to
JOHN BURD & Co.,
Hongkong, February 22, 1868.

TO LET.
N. O. 3, PECHILI TERRACE,
Elgin Street.
Apply to
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,
Hongkong, January 24, 1868.

TO LET.
N. O. 5, Pechili Terrace, Elgin Street.
Apply to
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,
Hongkong, February 3, 1868.

TO LET.
THE PREMISES situated in Queen's Road,
Stanley Street, and at present occu-
pied by Messrs H. MARSH & Co.
For particulars, apply to
LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co.,
Hongkong, 5th September, 1867.

TO LET.
HOSE two convenient centrally situated
HOUSES Nos. 1 and 2, Old Bailey
Street, Corner of Hollywood Road.
Terms moderate.
Apply to
THOS. W. BARRINGTON,
53, Wyndham St.,
Hongkong, February 22, 1868.

TO LET.
AN unfurnished airy ROOM, in the best
part of Wyndham Street. View of
the harbour.
Apply to
THOS. W. BARRINGTON,
No. 53, Wyndham St.,
Hongkong, February 21, 1868.

TO LET.
A DESIRABLE RESIDENCE in West
Terrace, Cause Road.
Also,
Two Commodious HOUSES in Stanley
Street, suitable for Business Premises, or
otherwise.
Apply to
THOS. W. BARRINGTON,
53, Wyndham St.,
Hongkong, February 21, 1868.

TO LET.
A HOUSE in Queen's Road, commanding
a good view of the Harbour from the
North side. The House contains eight good
Rooms with Bath Rooms, Verandahs, front
and back, Kitchen, Servant's Rooms and
Godowns on ground floor.
Apply to
TURNER & Co.,
Hongkong, February 8, 1868.

TO LET.
AN OFFICE with Godown and Com-
modious Room.
Apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Hongkong, October 1, 1866.

TO LET.
WO New and Strong GODOWNS on
Marine Lot No. 63.
Apply to
GAVIN THOMPSON,
at GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.'s,
Hongkong, December 16, 1867.

TO LET.
A LARGE ROOM fronting the Queen's
Road, suitable for either an Office
or a Shop.
Apply at the
MEDICAL HALL,
Queen's Road,
Hongkong, September 20, 1867.

TO LET.
THE PREMISES situated at Fadder's
Wharf, lately occupied by Messrs
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co. Possession can
be taken on the 1st of January 1868.
For further particulars, apply to
THOS. HUNT & Co.,
Hongkong, December 30, 1867.

TO LET.
LIGHTERAGE AND STORAGE.
THE Underigned will undertake to land
Cotton, Rice, Coals, and other Mer-
chandise, in their own Boats, and to receive
the same on STORAGE in First-class Gran-
ite godowns, on Moderate Terms.
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,
Hongkong, March 4, 1868.

Houses and Lands.

TO LET.
FURNISHED or unfurnished OFFICES
in BANK BUILDINGS, immediately
opposite the Hotel Company's Premises.
Also,
Coach HOUSE and STABLES for 5
Horse, situated on the Robinson Road;
Water and Gas laid on, with the use of an
enormous Gravel Paddock adjoining.
For further particulars, apply to
MR. EDMUND SHARP,
Solicitor,
Hongkong, August 20, 1867.

TO LET.
CAN be had in First Class Granite Go-
dows at Wanchai, on very moderate
Terms.
For particulars, apply to
CHARLES RIVINGTON,
At Messrs LANDSTRON & Co.'s Office,
Stanley Street,
Hongkong, January 1, 1868.

TO LET.
THE FIRST FLOOR of the House No.
19, Queen's Road Central, corner of
Graham Street, consisting of three spacious
Rooms, Verandah and Outhouses, well
adapted for Offices.
Apply to
WM. SCHMIDT & Co.,
Gunmakers,
Hongkong, October 2, 1867.

TO LET.
A SHOP, situated in the best part of the
Queen's Road, with Show Cases and
Fittings complete.
N.B.—Two First Floor Rooms can be
had with office, if required.
Address "Z," care of Hongkong Dis-
pensary.
Hongkong, November 23, 1867.

TO LET.
FOUR Large ROOMS on Second Floor
above the Offices of the Underigned,
44, Queen's Road, at present occupied by
Messrs C. HOOK & Co. Possession can be
taken on the 1st of January, 1868.
For Terms, &c., apply to
G. DUBOST & Co.,
Hongkong, November 6, 1867.

TO LET.
THE OFFICE and GODOWN situated at
the corner of Wellington and Aberdeen
Streets, and at present in the occupation of
Messrs ELMENHORST & SANDERS.
For particulars, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Hongkong, March 6, 1868.

TO LET.
Furnished or unfurnished.
THE Dwelling HOUSE in the Albany at
present occupied by Mr. N. R. MARSH.
Occupation can be had in a few weeks.
Application can be made to Mr. MARSH at
the Albany.
Hongkong, September 25, 1867.

TO LET.
THE extensive and eligible PREMISES,
at Corner of Hollywood Road and Shelley
Street, lately in the occupation of H. M.
Government.
Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Hongkong, September 4, 1867.

TO LET.
TWO HOUSES on Carlton Terrace,
Spring Garden, with or without Go-
dows, rent moderate.
Apply to
LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co.,
Hongkong, 5th September, 1867.

New Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.
The Steamship
"DOUGLAS"
Captain PITMAN, will have
immediate despatch for the
above Ports.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARRAK & Co.,
Hongkong, February 23, 1868.

CONSIGNEES of the undermentioned
GOODS are requested to send in their
Bills of Lading to the Underigned for
counter-signature, and to take immediate
delivery of their goods, otherwise they will
be landed at Consignees' risk and expense:
A. E. M., 2 cases Merchandise.
G. H. & Co., (in dia.), 50 cases Wine.
R., 22 bundles Yellow Metal Rods.
O. D. & Co., 1 case Merchandise.
J. D. S., (in dia.), 5 pkgs. Do.
W. B., 1 box Wearing Apparel.
DOUGLAS LARRAK & Co.,
Hongkong, February 23, 1868.

HONGKONG CLUB.
AN Extraordinary General MEETING
of the Members of the Hongkong
Club will be held at the Club House, on
WEDNESDAY, the 11th day of March
next, at 5 P.M.
The object of the Meeting is explained in
the Notice hung up in the Club for the in-
formation of Members.
By order of the General Committee,
GEORGE B. AXFORD,
Secretary,
Hongkong, February 23, 1868.

EX "SERICA."
A COMPLETE Set of Wheatstone's Te-
legraph APPARATUS.
Mountain BAROMETERS.
Gay Lussac's Syphon BAROMETERS.
Improved Patent Differential BAROMET-
ERS.
Anoroid BAROMETERS, divided to
1,000 of an inch.
STORM GLASSES.
Pocket Prismatic AZIMUTH COM-
PASSES, in Silver Cases.
SUN DIALS.
ALTAZIMUTHS.
Camera's LUCIDA.
HYDROMETERS.
SALINOMETERS.
HYGROMETERS.
PNEUMOMETERS.
VACUUM GAUGES.
Self Registering THERMOMETERS.
Deep Sea Sounding THERMOMETERS.
THERMOMETERS for Superheated
STEAM.
Nautical ALMANACS for 1868-69.
And,
A small Consignment of PIANOS and
HARMONIUMS.
GEORGE FALCONER & Co.,
Hongkong, February 23, 1868.

New Advertisements.

EX "SIR LANCELOT."
BOOTS, from Burrows of Cookham, for
Ladies, Gentlemen and Children.
HATS and HELMETS, from Ellwood
and Christy.
Also,
Kid GLOVES, Lisle Thread and Col-
ton SOCKS, all the new shape COLLARS,
Bureks, SHIRTS, Cambric HANDER-
CHIEFS, Light Summer TWEEDS and
FLANNELS, Turkish Bath TOWELS,
Bath SPONGES, Hendrie's Choice PEK-
FUMES, 11th Vol. LONDON SOCIETY,
&c., &c.,
S. W. BAKER & Co.,
Hongkong, February 13, 1868.

EX "AYON" & "SIR LANCELOT."
CHAMPAGNE, First Quality in Pints
and Quarts.
Apply to
G. DUBOST & Co.,
Hongkong, February 15, 1868.

SELLING OFF! SELLING OFF!!
SELLING OFF!!!
GRAND SACRIFICES!!!
SPLENDID BARGAINS!!!

MULLER & CLAUSSEN
BEG to announce that they are Selling
Off their stocks of the undermentioned
GOODS at Invoice prices, consisting of—
Black Cloth Dress FROCK and Walking
COATS.
Melton and Angola Walking, Shooting
and SAC COATS.
Melton and Witney YACHT JACKETS
and OYER COATS.
Alpaca and Merino COATS.
Black Dress TROUSERS.
Fancy Buckskin, Angola and Tweed
TROUSERS.
Alpaca and Merino TROUSERS.
White and Colored Linen TROUSERS.
Black Dress VESTS.
Buckskin and Angola VESTS.
Merino and Alpaca VESTS.
White Macella and Linen VESTS.
Colored Linen VESTS.

A large lot of PIECE GOODS, compris-
ing—
Black and Blue Broad CLOTHS and
DOCK-KINS.
MELTONS, BUCKSKINS, ANGOLAS,
TWEEDS and FLANNELS, of
this Season's Patterns.

Also a new assortment of HOSIERY
and SHIRTS of—
LONG CLOTH, with Linen FRONTS, &c.,
Silk and Wool SHIRTS.
Merino, Cotton, Lambwool and Flannel
DRAWEES and UNDER VESTS.
Merino, Cotton and Lambwool
HALF HOSE.
LADIES' COTTON HOSE.
Don't Kid and Driving GLOVES.
COLLARS, SCARFS, TIES, Chokers,
Belts and Cambric HANDKERCHIEFS.
Christy's Silk, Shell and Felt HATS,
in the newest Shapes.
Dawson's BOOTS and SHOES.
UMBRELLAS, Walking STICKS, Cloth
and Hair BRUSHES.
PERFUMERY, Fancy SOAPS,
And a great variety of other GOODS.

MULLER & CLAUSSEN,
Queen's Road,
Hongkong, February 5, 1868.

SAYLE & Co.
Victoria Exchange.
SOLICIT inspection of their NEW
STOCK, specially prepared for the
coming Season, forming the largest and
best assortment of GOODS they have yet
offered.

(Comprising)—
Black Glaces, Plain and Fancy Silks,
at old prices, Linsey, Rep, Wool Plaids,
and all the newest designs for Ladies'
Dresses, a large assortment of Evening
and Ball Dresses, Embroidered, Printed,
and made-up Skirts, Crinolines, Muslin
Embroidered and Laces of all descriptions.
The newest styles in Dress Trimmings.
Ladies' Trimmed Hats and Bonnets.
Flowers, Feathers, Wreaths, etc.
MANTLES and JACKETS
of the newest designs and materials.
The Millinery and Dress Making
Departments are under the management
of two experienced West End assistants.
The Tailoring Department is now well
supplied with every description of Cloth,
for Autumn Wear, including Blue, Black
and Scarlet Broad Cloths.
Blue and Black DOESKINS,
Naval and Military CLOTHS,
3/4 and 6/4 TWEEDS and
Doeskins, Witneys, Beavers, &c.
Ladies' and Gentlemen's
Hosiery of all descriptions.
Ladies' and Gentlemen's
Kid-Gloves from well-known
Makers.
TIES and SCARFS in great
variety.
Felt Tapestry and Brussels
Carpets, Matting and Floor
Cloths.
Ladies' and Gentlemen's
Hosiery of all makes.
Latest Styles.
Household Linens of every
description.
Black and Drab Felt HATS,
Black and Drab Paris and
Beaver Dress Hats.
Hongkong, September 24, 1867.

New Advertisements.

FOR SALE.
CUBIC FEET MANILA
TIMBER, to arrive per
French Barque "MARIA MORTON."
Apply to
REYNVAAN BROTHERS & Co.,
Hongkong, February 26, 1868.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.
FOREIGN ATTACHMENT.

JOHN HEARD, AUGUSTINE HEARD,
JUNIOR, ALBERT FARLEY HEARD,
GEORGE FARLEY HEARD, GEORGE
FREDERICK WELLES, and ROBERT
INGOLIS FEARON, trading under the
style or firm of AUGUSTINE HEARD
and COMPANY, Plaintiffs,
HENRY W. HUBBELL, Defendant.

WHEREAS an Action has been com-
menced in this Honorable Court at the
suit of the above-named JOHN HEARD,
AUGUSTINE HEARD, JUNIOR, ALBERT FAR-
LEY HEARD, GEORGE FARLEY HEARD,
GEORGE FREDERICK WELLES, and ROBERT
INGOLIS FEARON, against the above-named
HENRY W. HUBBELL, to recover the sum of
Five Thousand, Three Hundred and Sixteen
Dollars and Eighty-five Cents, for money
received by the said HENRY W. HUBBELL
for the use of the said Plaintiffs JOHN
HEARD, AUGUSTINE HEARD, JUNIOR, ALBERT
FARLEY HEARD, GEORGE FARLEY HEARD,
GEORGE FREDERICK WELLES, and ROBERT
INGOLIS FEARON, and for money found to be
due to the said Plaintiffs by the said De-
fendant on an account stated between them;
and it being alleged that the said HENRY
W. HUBBELL does not reside within this
Island or its Dependencies, a Writ of For-
eign Attachment has been issued, return-
able on the Tenth day of March next, where-
in J. S. WATSON, of Victoria, in the Island
of Hongkong, Master Mariner, is Gar-
nisher.

Notice is hereby given, that if at any
time before final judgment in this action
the said HENRY W. HUBBELL, or any per-
son on his behalf, will give the security and
notice and file the appearance or plea re-
quired by the Ordinance of this Island,
intituled "An Ordinance to provide for and
regulate process in action at Law against
persons absent from the colony," the said
Attachment may be dissolved.
Dated this Fourteenth day of February, 1868.
HENRY C. CALDWELL,
Plaintiffs' Attorney,
Hongkong, February 13, 1868.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.
FOREIGN ATTACHMENT.

JOHN HEARD, AUGUSTINE HEARD,
JUNIOR, ALBERT FARLEY HEARD,
GEORGE FARLEY HEARD, GEORGE
FREDERICK WELLES, and ROBERT
INGOLIS FEARON, trading under the
style or firm of AUGUSTINE
HEARD and COMPANY, Plaintiffs,
ROBERT L. TAYLOR, HENRY W.
HUBBELL, F. B. HILDBRETH, and
RUSSELL STURGIS, Defendants.

WHEREAS an action has been com-
menced in this Honorable Court at the
suit of the above-named JOHN HEARD,
AUGUSTINE HEARD, JUNIOR, ALBERT FAR-
LEY HEARD, GEORGE FARLEY HEARD,
GEORGE FREDERICK WELLES, and ROBERT
INGOLIS FEARON, against the above named
ROBERT L. TAYLOR, HENRY W. HUBBELL,
F. B. HILDBRETH, and RUSSELL STURGIS,
to recover the sum of Eight thousand five
hundred and sixty-eight Dollars and three
cents, for money received by the said
ROBERT L. TAYLOR, HENRY W. HUBBELL,
F. B. HILDBRETH, and RUSSELL STURGIS
for the use of the said Plaintiffs JOHN HEARD,
AUGUSTINE HEARD, JUNIOR, ALBERT FAR-
LEY HEARD, GEORGE FARLEY HEARD,
GEORGE FREDERICK WELLES, and ROBERT
INGOLIS FEARON, and for money found to be
due to the said Plaintiffs by the said De-
fendants on an account stated between them;
and it being alleged that the said
ROBERT L. TAYLOR, HENRY W. HUBBELL,
F. B. HILDBRETH, and RUSSELL STURGIS
do not reside within this Island or its
Dependencies, a Writ of Foreign Attach-
ment has been issued, returnable on the
Tenth day of March next, wherein I. S.
WATSON, of Victoria, in the Island of
Hongkong, Master Mariner, is Garnisher.
Notice is hereby given, that if at any
time before final judgment in this action,
the said ROBERT L. TAYLOR, HENRY W.
HUBBELL, F. B. HILDBRETH and RUSSELL
STURGIS, or any persons on their behalf,
will give the security and notice, and file
the appearance or plea required by the
Ordinance of this Island, intituled "An
Ordinance to provide for and regulate
process in action at Law against Persons
absent from the Colony," the said Attach-
ment may be dissolved.
Dated this Twelfth day of February, 1868.
HENRY C. CALDWELL,
Plaintiffs' Attorney,
Hongkong, Feb. 13, 1868.

HONGKONG
AMATEUR THEATRICAL SOCIETY.

NOTICE.
IN consequence of the indisposition of se-
veral of the Members, the Committee
are compelled with much regret to POS-
TONE till further notice the Performance
advertised for the evening of Monday next,
the 2nd March.
H. HARRINGTON NELSON,
Hon. Secretary,
Hongkong, February 25, 1868.

CLUB LUSITANO DE HONGKONG,
LIMITED.

THE Third ORDINARY MEETING of
Shareholders, under Clause 67 of the
Articles of Association, will take place at
the Premises of this Society (Shelley Street)
on MONDAY, the 2nd March, at 5.30
P.M.
The two annual Directors, under Clause
81 of the Articles of Association, will be
elected on that occasion.
L. J. DA SILVA,
Secretary,
Club Lusitano,
Hongkong, February 17, 1868.

New Advertisements.

HONGKONG ATHLETIC SPORTS.
1868.
THE above SPORTS will take place on
the Cricket Ground, on SATURDAY,
the 29th February, commencing at 2 P.M.
Entrance for Mile Race, &c., &c., \$2.
Entrance for all others, &c., &c., \$1.
Entries will close at 5 P.M. on the 27th
instant. A List is now lying at Messrs
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s.

No. Prizes.
1st. 2nd.

1 Putting the Shot, 12 lbs., 3
trials, \$10 0
2 Flat Race, 100 yards, 15 3
3 Throwing the Hammer, 12
lbs., 3 trials, 10 0
4 Throwing the Cricket Ball,
3 trials, 10 0
5 Hurdle Race, 300 yards, 15 3
6 Single Stick and Fencing, 10 0
7 Leaping Height with Pole, 15 3
8 Wide Jump, 3 trials, 10 0
9 High Jump, 300 yards, 20 3
10 High Running Jump, 3
trials, 10 0
11 Race for Soldiers and Sail-
ors, 300 yds., 10 0
12 Flat Race, 1 mile, 10 0
13 Hop, Skip and Jump, 3
trials, 10 0
14 Three-legged Race, 80 yds., 10 0
15 Flat Race, 100 yards, win-
ner of No. 2 excluded, 10 3
16 Consolation Race, 200 yds.,
all winners excluded, 8 2

REGINALD D. STARKY,
Hon. Sec.,
Hongkong, February 18, 1868.

NOTICE.
WE have to-day REMOVED to the Pre-
mises lately occupied by Messrs P.
F. CAMA & Co., Corner of Webster Bazaar
and Praya.
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Hongkong, February 22, 1868.

NOTICE.
OUR Shipchandlery Business has now
been removed to Praya, No. 30 and
31, the Premises formerly occupied by Messrs
FERREMAN BROTHERS & Co., Successors to
Messrs JOHN STURGIS & Co.
FREEKES, RODATZ & Co.,
Hongkong, February 3, 1868.

REMOVAL.
THE Underigned has this day Removed
their STORE from Praya East to the
PREMISES No. 13, QUEEN'S ROAD
Central, formerly occupied by the CENTRAL
BANK OF WESTERN INDIA.
MAEWEEN & Co.,
Hongkong, 6th December, 1867.

LATEST SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
Feb. 28, *Leomora*, from barque, 300
Steinchen, Bangkok, Dec. 24, 6,000 picul
Rice.—E. SCHEELHANS & Co.
Feb. 28, *Indus*, Brik-barque, 1,319, G.
W. Hicks, Southampton, Nov. 1, Maci-
nary, Boilers, Coal, &c.—P. & O. Co.

DEPARTURES.
Feb. 28, *Calcutta*, for Whampoa.
28, *Elv King*, for Shanghai.
PASSENGERS.
Per *Leomora*,—2 Chinese.
CLEARED.
Peter Rohland, for Hilo.
Jane, for Singapore.
Seamew, for Guam.

SHIPPING REPORTS.
The Bremen barque *Leomora*, from Bang-
kok, reports the first part of passage in the
Gulf of Siam fine weather and light Southerly
winds; from thence in the Caracca
passage had equally weather and rain, calms

Advertisements.

ATHLETIC SPORTS.

The Sports will take place on

Sacket Ground, on SATURDAY,

morning, commencing at 2 P.M.

For Mile Race, \$2.

For all others, \$1.

All close at 5 P.M., on the 27th

List is now lying at Messrs

Pond & Co.'s.

Papers.

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g the Cricket Ball, 10

Race, 300 yards, 15

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TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Our columns are open to all who wish to

address the public on legitimate grounds, but

we do not hold ourselves responsible for the

opinions of our correspondents.

All communications addressed to this paper

must be accompanied by the name of the

writer, not necessarily for publication, but as

a guarantee of good faith.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, FEB. 28, 1868.

NAVAL CALLS.

Amongst the subjects which perplex the mind of the average colonist is that of Calls, and pre-eminently that of Naval Calls. We do not, in this favoured portion of the world, devote an undue attention to naval matters; the local journals of China do not devote many columns per annum to a description of the latest thing "out" in armour plates, the hardships of Deputy Assistant Superintending Engineers, the fearful work of respect evinced to civilian officers with three stripes, or any of those interesting topics which form the popular "shop" of the naval press-table. We may, therefore, consider ourselves at liberty to discuss one question which interests not only the entire naval forces stationed at Hongkong, but "ye proud civilian" also. We plunge into the subject in a full confidence that our readers will follow our arguments, and, in the absence of more exciting topics, be interested in their statement.

There is a sort of chronic feud between Naval and Civilian society on the subject of calling. Upon the arrival of a man-of-war at some ports it is not unusual to be informed that the officers expect to be called upon by the residents. At other places the residents exact with equal punctilio the first call from the naval man. It frequently happens that this latter arrangement is looked upon as a positive slight and injury by the naval community, and they are not backward in expressing their opinion of what they term "mercantile snobism," which, according to their views, is the cause of the general community declining to make the first advances towards a more intimate acquaintance. The truth is, and it cannot be too fully impressed upon Naval men, that the two parties are upon totally different footings, and the question turns not at all upon a point of etiquette but upon the opportunity afforded for carrying out domestic duties. Whenever there arises a question of priority in the performance of social civilities between equals, there must be equal ground to start from. Now this equality does not exist between the shore-going resident and the naval officer. To commence with, the latter naturally comes on shore as a matter of every-day life, while the former never goes afloat except with some certain object in view, so that as a mere matter of convenience the facilities are infinitely in favour of the naval officer. Next to this comes the more important matter of the object to be gained by taking such trouble as is involved in paying a visit. Now it may safely be asserted that any benefit to be derived is exclusively in favour of the naval man. We say this with no meagre at their position or social qualifications, but from the simple fact that, at any large and busy port, each resident, as a rule, possesses a large circle of friends and acquaintances whose limits he is not anxious to enlarge. That is, he would take no trouble to gain new acquaintances, his spare time being permitted by his keeping up the necessary forms with those he knows, while on the other hand, every acquaintance gained on shore is, if he be worth cultivating, a decided acquisition. It gives him another house to visit and a fresh face and fresh ideas by way of change from the everlasting mess. We entirely repudiate the interested motives sometimes credited to naval men who become frequent visitors at any particular house. Did our civilian readers understand the craving for new faces and new conversation which affects many condemned to a constant association with others who, though individually pleasant and gentlemanly, have but little in common with them, they would understand our remark. But with all this the advantage rests almost entirely with the naval man. There is another reason which operates with many civilians to restrain them from much "ship-visiting." The prevalent naval idea about civilians with nothing to do, "loafing" on board men-of-war, is sufficiently well known, and few care to expose themselves to the imputation.

Of course if Naval men choose to take offence and declare that unless called upon first they will "keep themselves to themselves," we on shore have nothing to say. We should regret the loss of some pleasant hours and an occasional dance or picnic, but should not on the whole feel it very particularly, as at a place like Hongkong these matters are, with other amusements, of too frequent occurrence during the season to leave many unfiled gaps of leisure time. We still maintain that the Naval man would be the greater loser of the two parties. All that we desire is that we should clearly understand the grounds which account for what they often term "neglect," that it arises from no feeling of snobbish contempt for their pursuits or their society, but because there is no advantage to be derived from seeking them out, but rather a loss of time often to be ill-spurred from other matters and the cultivation of friendships less necessarily ephemeral than those to be contracted in the messes of men-of-war.

The following sentence occurs in a leading article in our local contemporary, the Press, of this morning:—

There are persons whose disapprobation is complimentary, and who have no power of inflicting annoyance on reasonable men, except by agreeing with them and approving their proceedings.

The article is written apropos of the \$130,000 which the Governor has derived from licensing gambling in Hongkong. We say "derived," because it is not pretended that any expense has been incurred for the special suppression of gambling. No attempt has been made to punish open gambling, unless it happened to be unlicensed, and in such cases, when proved, delinquents have been fined \$100. So that the Governor derived a double revenue from gambling—from its unlicensed as well as from its licensed practice. The Duke of Buckingham has prohibited his Excellency from using any of the money thus derived for any Imperial or Colonial purpose, and thus declares his perfect concurrence in the views of those persons who, in Hongkong, profess to be against the disgraceful His Excellency has inflicted upon this colony. Among those who so protested are half a dozen gentlemen who are ministers of religion, and it is to these gentlemen that the above quoted sentence refers. Speculating upon what may be the motive of the Governor in obeying the Duke's very proper orders, the Press says:—

People might almost imagine that the Government was partly swayed by an anxiety to refute the calumnies of our friends the Moral Six, but we cannot believe such a motive to be really at work. The calumnies of the aforesaid Moral Six, are not of sufficient weight to be worth refuting.

And then follows the sentence first quoted. Now we are not going to take up the cudgels for the "Moral Six." It is not necessary that we should do so, for the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and public opinion in Great Britain and elsewhere generally, endorse their objection to a proposal for deriving a direct revenue from the legalisation of a degrading vice. But we are inclined to try a fling on our own account, with our contemporary. "We are Seven" in this controversy, but the Press chooses to decline counting the China Mail. That is because it, like the "Moral Six," is a "person" whose "disapprobation is complimentary" to the Press. People who can really afford to say so, never volunteer such an assurance. But there are very few who are in such a position. Every man has a detractor, and in proportion as the detractor is malicious, or ignorant, or supercilious, or inexperienced, and yet has the power of wielding the most powerful instrument of detraction, must his attempts at defamation be met. It is for this reason that the China Mail has resented the unprovoked and vulgar attacks that have been made upon it by the Press during the last 18 months. We do not pretend to despise our contemporary, for the reason that every man must sometimes act as his own policeman, and the need is greater in some cases than in others, as in ours, when the Press threatened, "if sufficiently provoked," to "show up" the manner in which our business is conducted, accused us of pirating its matter, of being "the organ of the gutter," &c. &c. We did our best to "sufficiently provoke," by civil invitation and by challenge, but our contemporary preferred accepting the alternative we proposed, namely, that it conducted its business on the House and Minorities principle of detraction, and so the matter has so far ended. The China Mail has not been "shown up," and it and the "Moral Six" have the satisfaction of knowing that they have been the means of preventing the perpetration of a disgrace on themselves as subjects of Her Majesty, and on the Colony as a possession of the British Crown. The Press may not consider it disgraceful to trade on the vicious predilections of a Chinaman, and it is very likely that Jonathan Wild, or any of the worthies of his day, would have been equally unscrupulous. With which word we conclude our present reference to the Hongkong Daily Press.

We learn from Canton that the execution of the coolie Poon Ashang, who murdered his master, Shieh Ahmed, on the 29th December last, took place opposite the late residence of his victim on the afternoon of the 27th instant. The Poon-yu Magistrate, and Mr. Mayers, H.M.'s Vice-Consul, superintended the execution, and a large number of the Canton residents witnessed the dread ceremony.

A disturbance has broken out, it is reported from Canton, among the band of "braves" lately in the service of the Governor of the Province, who were being transported back to the Province of Hoonan, to which they all belong. These men, to the number of about one thousand, appear to have risen against their officers on reaching the neighbourhood of Lok-cheong, on the upper waters of the north River, and to have set all authority at defiance. Fortunately they have no arms, and will no doubt be speedily reduced to order.

LOCAL.

Professor VANEZ, "grand wizard of the North, and artist to His Majesty the Sultan of Turkey," gave his first representation in the Lyceum last night, to an audience very considerable in numbers. The Professor's tricks and illusions are of the wildest kind, practised by conjurers of the wildest kind, but it must be admitted that Mr. Vanez is not inferior to any who have as yet found their way to this part of the world. "Floating between earth and heaven" on the part of Miss Adele (a girl of thirteen or fourteen years of age) must,

we fancy, be looked upon as the "most bold and wonderful" part of the exhibition; and it was certainly gone through with ease and without the slightest accident. The representation was as nice a little bit of punomatic scenery as we have seen for some time, and the color-changing effects were certainly very pleasing though a little tiring to the eye. Altogether, the Professor may congratulate himself upon the result of his first appearance here, being as it was under so unfavorable circumstances as to competition in the matter of amusement. We observe he appears again on Monday night.

TO-DAY'S POLICE.

Mr. Goodlake sat on the Bench this morning. A stoatcatcher of Kowloon was charged with robbery from a neighbor on the peninsula. It appears that prisoner had borrowed £2,000 cash (\$12) from said neighbor which he immediately went and lost at a gambling-house. For this reason, the stoatcatcher says he was thrashed by his neighbor, after which it seems he went up to the neighbor's room and proceeded most methodically to pack up a quantity of neighbor's property. This mode of robbing a loan was objected to, and prisoner was taken into custody. Prisoner said that he had been beaten by the complainant, and complainant said that he had never seen "pussy" before. Prisoner was sentenced to two months' hard labor, and was ordered to be flogged in twelve strokes.

Inspector Langdon has been assiduous lately in hunting down a species of robbery prevalent some time since at Wanchi. A small gang of five was organised some time since for the purpose of gaining a livelihood by means of snatching ear-rings, &c. from the children. This gang, which was known by the name of "Fak-tai, or White Children," three of these "children" have been already caught and punished, and a fourth was brought up this morning, on suspicion of robbery from a child. This confirmed scoundrel had been branded and deported, but he had actually cut away the lobe of the left ear in order to remove the "mark of the beast" from uninitiated observation. The Gaol Warden, however, was "one too many" for the gentleman, self-mutilated; and, although the charge of that was not proved, he was returned to Gaol for the further orders of Mr. Douglas and H. E. the Governor. What was agreed upon prior to the deportation provides that Mr. Douglas be empowered to flog the deported gentleman the first time he meets him on Hongkong soil.

THE GREAT CUTTING AND WOUNDING CASE.—The three witnesses at the long trial which concluded at the Supreme Court yesterday, who were taken into custody upon the return of the verdict of the Jury, were brought up and charged before Mr. Goodlake this morning. The names of the three gentlemen were—Lum Ahook, Fong Ahchee, and Lo Alee; and they were charged with cutting and wounding with intent to murder and with having committed wilful and corrupt perjury at the Supreme Court. Mr. Whyte appeared for the prisoners, assisted by Mr. D. R. Caldwell; but Mr. Hazell could not attend, and the case was consequently postponed. A Goodlake remarked that he would first go into the charge of cutting and wounding, and then the perjury in the more important charge rendered necessary or advisable. Mr. Whyte agreed, and the case was fixed for Tuesday next at 11 o'clock. Bail was allowed for two first prisoners in \$2,500, and for third prisoner in \$1,000.

Four ugly-looking celestials were charged with having snatched a box containing Taels 300 in silver, on the Macao steamer's wharf. One prisoner was arrested while struggling with complainant, another was caught bearing the box, and the third and fourth were caught in the general bustle. The case was, however, remanded for further evidence.

HYDROGRAPHICAL ORDER, No. 6. Salamis at Sea (Lat. 27° 33' N., Long. 121° 30' E.) 8th Feb., 1868.

FORMOSA ISLAND, N.W. COAST. PORT OF TAKUAT.

The following information relative to the above Port, has been communicated to me by H. F. Holt, Esq., Acting Vice-Consul.

Bearings Magnetic—Variation in 1868, 16° W.

A Beacon 40 feet in height, painted white, with batters across the top, has been constructed on the north-side of the entrance to the Port of Takuat, just south of the Fish Hut; and when just open, the light will be visible for 7½ feet in the deepest water over the bar (7½ feet in low water springs) rising 10 and 11 feet.

See Admiralty Chart No. 2,376, China Pilot, 4th Edition, Page 403.

(Signed) HENRY KEPPEL,

Vice-Admiral & Commander-in-Chief.

To the Commanders, and the respective Captains, Commanders and Officers, Commanding H.M. Ships and Vessels under my orders.

OCEAN CURRENTS.

The following interesting letter recently appeared in the Melbourne Argus. It is from the pen of Mr. Neumayer, the "Astronomer Royal" of Victoria, and possesses considerable interest to the nautical public:—

In the course of my voyage from Australia to England, per *Garrard*, I threw overboard fifty-five bottles, containing information as to date, locality of ship, &c., and to my servant, Edward Brinkman, who made the same voyage about the same time, per *Norfolk*, I had also given instructions to throw similar notices overboard whenever opportunity offered; and he therefore despatched twelve more; one of these being thrown over on the 14th of July, 1864, when in lat. 55deg. 40min. S. and long. 16deg. 16min. W., and, therefore, just past the meridian of the Horn. The slips which I had prepared for that purpose, contained, in addition to the above information respecting time, locality, &c., a request to the finder of the bottle to send the slip back to my address in Europe, after having filled up the blanks left for locality, time, and accompanying circumstances of the finding. By the last mail I received the slip referred to, with every information required, properly filled up. Strange to say, the bottle containing it had been washed ashore at Yambuk, opposite Lady Percy Island, in lat. 39° 20' S., and long. 142° 11' E. The finder's name was stated to be Michael O'Donoghue, labourer at Yambuk. He had also taken the

trouble to state by letter the exact condition in which he found the bottle, and that he had taken some pains to dry the slip, water penetrating the cork. All the data contained in it were in exact accordance with the journal kept by it in my hand. It is a matter of considerable interest to examine the probable route this bottle has taken somewhat more closely. There can not exist a doubt that it was carried by the Cape Horn current, at the rate of forty-five miles a day, for some distance into the South Atlantic, but that it was prevented from reaching lower latitudes by the current of the River Plata, which in the winter months, when our bottle would arrive, runs with considerably more force than in summer. In these regions, generally free from ice, and surrounded by a belt of seaweed and kelp, it must have drifted under the influence of the so-called antarcctic drift, with a general direction to the N.E., until, by a series of the easterly currents, within the reach of the Cape of Good Hope. This current, attains at parts a daily rate of from twenty to thirty-five miles, and would carry our bottle, without doubt, direct towards the shores of Australia, from which it originally started. The shortest distance on this probable route, from Cape Horn to the place where it was found, is about 9,000 miles, while the distance measured along the drift, connecting these two points is only half that amount. It is, however, quite out of the question that it could have taken the latter route, as currents, ice, and the configuration of the antarctic continent, would have effectually prevented its doing so.

Let us suppose that the bottle travelled the first 1,000 miles after leaving the Cape in the month of August, 1864, above mentioned, and that it travelled the last 5,400 miles, from the point where it would meet the easterly current to Australia, at the rate of twenty miles a day; there would remain 765 days for the time it would have to spend in the region of the antarctic drift, during which time it would most likely be floating backwards and forwards—north and south according to season—until at last it was so far advanced to the east that the northward-moving ice in the month of September, 1866, would carry it into the easterly current above mentioned. As it is not probable that the bottle could have remained long on the beach of Yambuk before being observed, we may therefore estimate its average daily rate of motion throughout the whole voyage to be nine miles.

In April, 1864, when I was staying in Hobart Town for the purpose of making some magnetic determinations, I received information of a parallel case to that of the bottle just described. The American ship *Pacific* was so fortunate as to pick up a cork, dated 1861, close to the Chatham Islands (43deg. 48min. S. and 179deg. 56min. W.), a cork of blubber, which, according to certain signs and marks, was proved to have belonged to the ship *Ely*. This ship was wrecked in November, 1859, on the McDougal Group, in 53deg. S. and 73deg. W., and it was therefore evident that the blubber cork had travelled 4,830 miles in 610 days. This would give an average daily rate of motion of 7.9 miles, being much the same as that of our bottle. It would have to pass to the south of Tasmania and New Zealand, after having succeeded in getting through the equatorial current to the west of the latter island, before it could reach the spot where it was found. If we add these two routes together, we obtain a distance of 13,380 miles, which pretty nearly represents the length of the voyage of a bottle round the world in those regions. As the voyage from the Chatham Islands to Cape Horn would, if we except the chance of meeting with ice, offer no more difficulties than our bottle had to contend with on its voyage, we may assume that neither of these circumstances such a bottle would accomplish the voyage round the world from Cape Horn to the southward coast of America in about four years and ninety-three days.

During the five years I presided over the Nautical Observatory on the Flagstaff-hill, I took every pains that as many notices as possible should be sent in, and all parts of the ocean, but the case which I have just taken the liberty to bring under your notice is the first which has resulted in the recovery of the same. Many years may probably elapse ere any more of them may be picked up—a prospect perhaps calculated to slacken our zeal in this cause; but it is just by such good chances as the one I have described that we are inspired with new energy and new hope in our work for the future, and it is therefore well that they should have a large circulation.—I remain, Sir, yours very truly,

GEORGE NEUMAYER, Frankenthal, Aug. 24th.

MR. PEABODY.

There is no doubting that the assistance rendered to Mr. Peabody by the Bank of England, in 1857, has been the occasion of much misunderstanding in banking and commercial circles, and of serious and serious prejudice to the Bank of England. For ever since the assistance rendered to Mr. Peabody, everybody has felt warranted in applying to the Bank of England for help, when help was needed, and, being ignorant of the terms exacted from Mr. Peabody, the Bank of England has been proved, although the philanthropic American scrupulously complied with the rule. With the view of protecting the Bank of England from unjust aspersions in this matter, and of showing the terms on which it lends its money in a time of pressure, we shall trace the outline of that chapter in the bank's history, with this view of proof, that our information has been derived directly from one of the principals in the direction. And that those concerned may be in no way prejudiced, we shall show with a brief description, which will show first, that the business relations which Mr. Peabody, in addition to possessing those up all, in one of that sort who always will conduct their business in a manner that even in exceptional and trying circumstances must render them independent of the support of others. The revolution had done its work over the length and breadth of the United States, and one day while walking in his office at the corner of Pine and Nassau streets, it occurred to Mr. Peabody, a son of the firm of Duncan, Sherman, & Co., that probably serious trouble would occur in London and elsewhere as the con-

sequence of the revolution. Turning the matter over in his thoughts, he proceeded, the necessity for prompt action appeared so reasonably, that on entering his office he called his son, and asked the amount of available securities at the instant in hand. The reply was £300,000. By 12 o'clock the same day his son was steaming out for New York harbour in the Cunard steamer, *Mauretania*, arriving in due course in London, Mr. Peabody, and Mr. Peabody proceeded to the Bank of England, and a conversation of this kind ensued: "I want to arrange for the assistance of the Bank, in case it should be necessary to protect the drafts of my New York correspondents." "Certainly, Mr. Peabody, whatever assistance you require shall be given with pleasure." "But I desire the control of a special sum, which I am not to send for if I do not need it." "We can only repeat, Mr. Peabody, that whatever assistance you require shall be given with pleasure." "You misunderstand me; I must know what I can trust in." "Well, what sum do you want, and for what period do you want it?" Mr. Peabody repeated that he wanted nothing, he merely desired a credit that he might turn to at pleasure. Then, turning to Mr. Peabody, he asked the amount of the securities he had brought. "We want £300,000; here are securities for £300,000; I shall at once furnish securities for the remainder." "Very good, Mr. Peabody; but if you will consider the matter, it is not in business form. If you want money you must take it, and take it for a period." "You must take our hands and leave yours untied." "You must take £200,000 at least, and pay us for it." Mr. Peabody demurred—told the £200,000, with the option of the other £100,000, and in a fortnight after returning the £200,000, he withdrew the whole amount of the securities. And for the accommodation the bank charged the minimum rate on £200,000 for six months. Such, concisely told, was the celebrated transaction with Mr. Peabody in 1857. In America it was thought and, indeed, is still thought, that the Bank of England drove a hard bargain with Mr. Peabody; that the £200,000 should not have been forced on him; that the additional £100,000 in securities should not have been received; and that interest for six months should not have been charged for money which was only held a fortnight. On the other hand, among ourselves, it has been thought, and to some extent is still thought, that the Bank of England having helped an American, it is morally bound to "carry through" Englishmen; and that it is monstrous for Englishmen to be refused after what has been done for Mr. Peabody. The facts which we have adduced, will, we hope, satisfy English grumblers; and that there are English grumblers, we think, be manifest; for our cousins across the water, the Englishmen have positively been refused; Mr. Peabody was merely charged roundly by the Bank of England. The reception of the additional securities was obviously in terms of Mr. Peabody's proposition; and on the assumption that the further sum of £100,000 would be asked. The securities secured this additional £100,000 to the order of Mr. Peabody; and, although the Bank of England continued to lend the £500,000, it was precluded from lending it to other people.—*Secret Bank History in the City.*

FAST TRADING.

Some years ago there came to Liverpool a Greek gentleman who set up a business as the correspondent of two firms—one at Constantinople, the other at Alexandria. The house he established in England went by the name of Messrs. Acropolis and Co.; that at Constantinople was called Acropolis Brothers; and the one at Alexandria, Spessa and Acropolis. Of these names all save the name of each house was nothing more than a pleasant fiction. The one only partner in the three houses was Mr. Demetrius Acropolis, the enterprising individual who had come to Liverpool, taken an office, and written himself down Acropolis and Company. In due time this gentleman commenced to buy what are called Manchester goods, suitable for the Levantine markets. He was wary and cautious in his dealings, and evidently extremely grasping in his desire to make good bargains. But, so far from causing him to be thought any the worse of these peculiarities only Leipsic, from whose Manchester manufacturers and spinners he believed him to be a man who had money, and was anxious to turn it to the best possible advantage. In Manchester it is the custom to pay for goods fourteen days after delivery; but many purchasers avail themselves of the discount allowed for cash, and pay for what they buy before the goods are followed the latter plan, which had not the advantage of giving him new communications to the westward, and there is no doubt that if they could rival England in the quality as well as in the price of coal they might push us hard enough in certain quarters. They admit the superiority of English sea coal, but they may, and perhaps do, calculate on the possible exhaustion of Great Britain. It is scarcely possible to describe the pleasure and excitement caused in the Ruhr districts from the fact that in 1865 and 1866 Westphalian coal was carried with profit to the Belgian coal basins of Charleroi and Mons, and even over the frontier into France. It is a small matter at present, but France may not be able to get more out of her own fields, and England and Belgium be unable to deliver cheaper coal in larger quantities. A few words concerning the labourers in the Ruhr coal districts will be of interest. A great number are vagrants. They do not universally keep to mining as the business of their life. They are prone to change, and you will find the same hand turn to two or three different occupations in the same number of years. They have as yet shown no desire to combine or to form trades

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F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General,
Hongkong, February 28, 1886.

THE subjoined Transcript of a Telegram from the General Post Office in London, which was received by the Undersigned this day, is published for general information.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General,
Hongkong, Feb. 28, 1886.

From London.
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Postmaster Bayley.
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10. 1 P.M.
13. 1.55.
(Signed) THOS. AUSTIN,
In Charge.
Tel. Office,
Calle, 13th January, 1886.
True Copy.
(Signed) F. BAYLEY,
Agent.

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Postmaster General,
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General Post Office,
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VIEW OF HONGKONG.
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RETURNS his sincere thanks to the Publishers of the "China Mail" for their generous patronage of his general and feels quite proud that his humble efforts are so highly appreciated. He is ever to be found at the old Stand, Corner of Peel Street and Queen's Road, where he will hold himself in readiness to serve any Gentlemen who may feel the necessity of having any tonorial operations performed.

Shaving, 25 cents.
Hair Cutting, 50 "
Shampooing, 60 "
Nothing but pure Vegetable Shampoo used in this Establishment, and it invigorates and beautifies the Hair.
Particular attention paid to setting Razors.
Hongkong, February 4, 1886.

"STAG HOTEL."
SITUATE IN QUEEN'S ROAD.

PERSONS AND FAMILIES requiring Superior Hotel Accommodation will find it at the above Establishment.
EDMUND R. HOLMES,
Proprietor.
Hongkong, July 22, 1887.

THE UNION DUCK COMPANY OF HONGKONG & SHANGHAI, LIMITED.
SHAREHOLDERS are requested to take notice that the Fourth CALL of Two Hundred Dollars is made in two instalments of One Hundred Dollars each per Share. First of which will fall due on the 15th of March, and the second on the 30th of April next, and will be payable at the Office of Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Queen's Road, Hongkong, where Receipts for the payment thereof will be granted by the Manager.

Interest at the rate of twelve per centum per annum will be charged after the above dates.
By order of the Board of Directors,
J. R. ENDICOTT,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 24, 1886.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE DIVIDEND declared for the Year ending 31st December last, at the rate of Twelve per cent. per annum, say \$7.50 per paid-up Share of \$125, and \$1.50 per Share on which \$25 have been paid, is payable on and after MONDAY, the 17th inst., at the Office of the Corporation, Wardley House, Queen's Road, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.
By order of the Court of Directors,
VICTOR KRESSER,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, February 14, 1886.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
NOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTERS of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 15th day of February next (both days included), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.
VICTOR KRESSER,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, January 21, 1886.

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY.
NOTICE is hereby given that an Agency of this Company has been opened in Macao, under the care of Messrs. Margesson & Co., and that Captain Carroll has been appointed Surveyor for the Company at that Port.
By order of the Court of Directors,
JOHN S. MACKINTOSH,
Secretary.
Shanghai, September 28, 1887.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON.
MR. N. J. EDE having resigned the Acting Secretaryship of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Mr. C. D. WILLIAMS is, this day appointed Secretary, and is authorized to sign Policies of Insurance on behalf of the Society. The offices of the company are now those lately occupied by Messrs. LYNAL & Co.
(Signed) W. KESWICK,
Chairman of the Committee.
Hongkong, July 4, 1887.

MESSRS. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
of Shanghai, Poochow and Hankow have been appointed Agents for the Society at those Ports.
(Signed) W. KESWICK,
Chairman of the Committee.
Hongkong, July 4, 1887.

FOR SALE.
MUNTZ'S Patent Yellow METAL SHEATHING, from 20 to 24 oz., Composition NAILS, Brown Sheathing FELT.
LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co.
Hongkong, February 22, 1886.

FOR SALE.
Ex Niv Lancelotti, Flery Grass, and other Arrivals.
BASS'S PALE ALE in quarts and pints. London Brown STOUT, in do. Guinness STOUT, in do. Hennessy's and Martell's BRANDY. English OLD TOM GIN. Hubback's PAINTS. Do. boiled and raw LINED OIL. At LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co. Hongkong, Feb. 22, 1886.

FOR SALE.
Ex P. M. S. "CHINA." GENUINE Havana CIGARS in boxes of 50 each.
Henry Clay FLOR FINE. FLOR DE MATA Y GARCIA. REGALIA DE LA REINA. At very moderate Prices. VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, February 20, 1886.

FOR SALE.
SUPERIOR Manila CIGARS, No. 2. "VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, February 20, 1886.

FOR SALE.
EX "CARMARTHENSHIRE" AND "AFON." BASS' BEER in Pints and Quarts. EDMUND R. HOLMES, Stag Hotel, Hongkong, February 13, 1886.

FOR SALE.
EX MAIL STEAMER. LON SAUSAGES in best condition. CHERRY and HAMS. Assorted French CONFECTIONARY. Malaga RAISINS in bottles and tins. ALMONDS in shells. Peeled ALMONDS in tins. Kieme FIGS in tins. PRUNES in bottle. Smoked Pomeranian GOOSEBREASTS.
LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co. Hongkong, December 29, 1887.

FOR SALE.
Ex late Arrivals. PRIME California CHEESE. Do.